Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Yorkshire Dales National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 24 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 25 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 23 Mar 2023 at 15:27

Confidence: High confidence for blustery, showery conditions as we head for the weekend and feeling colder too, showers turning wintery on the summits, lower confidence on amount of showers and risk of hazards like hail and thunder. High confidence for more settled and dry conditions later on Sunday and early next week.

Headline for Friday 24 Mar 2023: Blustery showers, some bright spells too, strong southwesterly winds, summit gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 24 Mar 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers	Cloudy	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Friday 24 Mar 2023

Weather: Cloudy with showers overnight, some showers may be of hail or sleet and a rumble of thunder is possible. Strong winds will enhance the chill effect. During the day there will be some bright or sunny spells and scattered showers, the odd one heavy with a small chance of thunder. Showers tending to move through quite quickly in the blustery winds, the highest tops might see the showers turn to sleet temporarily.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 80%, some low cloud shrouding western hill tops at times as showers cluster together.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patches or scattered cloud above 500m are likely at times, especially towards western hills in any heavier showers. Cloud should clear relatively quickly after showers with good visibility outwith showers, turning moderate or poor in heavier showers and sleet.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	23/33 SW	23/33 SW	24/35 SW	26/38 SW	26/38 SW	25/37 SW	24/35 SW	25/37 SW	24/36 SW
300	14/30 SW	15/31 SW	16/32 SW	18/36 SW	19/37 SW	18/35 SW	16/32 SW	16/33 SW	16/33 SW
Valley	11/27 SW	12/27 SW	13/28 SW	15/32 SW	18/36 SW	16/32 SW	14/31 SW	16/32 SW	16/33 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-3	3/-4	2/-4	4/-3	5/-1	5/-0	4/-2	3/-3	3/-3
300	6/1	5/0	5/0	6/2	8/4	8/4	7/3	6/1	5/1
Valley	7/4	6/3	6/2	8/4	9/6	9/6	8/5	7/3	7/3
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Gusty winds in showers, with gusts of 50mph at times on the high summits. Note lowering freezing level but remaining above all summits.

Recent rainfall: measured at Malham: altitude 375m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Thu 23 Mar 2023	20mm	28.2mm	34mm

Forecast for Saturday 25 Mar 2023

Weather: Further blustery showers, with hail and the chance of a thunderstorm, showers frequent in the morning becoming more scattered later. Some brighter spells, moreso in the afternoon and with winds easing it will feel pleasant outwith showers. A significant windchill in the morning in the strong winds and showery conditions.

Maximum wind: Westerly 25 gusts 40mph easing to 10-15mph by early evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 70%, cloud associated with frequent morning showers clustering together at times.

Low Cloud and visibility: Scattered or broken cloud layers forming around 600m in heavier showers or where showers group together during the morning. Cloud becoming more patchy later in the day as showers ease later. Visibility poor for a time heavier showers grouping together on the higher ground, moderate in lighter showers and mainly good outwith showers and later in the day.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 5 rising to 9 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 900-1000m.

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